

MEETING MINUTES – NEWFIELDS CURBSIDE COLLECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CCAC)

DATE: Monday, July 13th, 6:30 – 7:30 PM

TIME: 6:30-7:30PM

PRESENT CCAC MEMBERS:

- Josh Lent
- Mary Belanger
- Warren Biggins
- Karen Nieman
- Joe Diamant
- Jacqui Silvani
- Kenyon Schick

ABSENT CCAC MEMBERS:

- Trish Cox

GUESTS:

- Sue Schick
- Anne Reichert
- Tom Smith
- Chuck Oliver

MINUTES:

- Quorum was recognized and the meeting was called to order at 6:36 PM by Josh Lent.
- CCAC Members vote to approve minutes from the June 29th meeting.
- Review action items from previous meeting and provide status updates.
 - Review of town's contract with Waste Management
 - The town did factor in the increased volume of MSW that would result by canceling curbside recycling
 - In 2018, the town paid \$127,240.63 for trash & recycling
 - Fees are for "collection and transportation" as well as tipping fees for trash and processing fees for recyclables
 - WM's winning bid for trash only was \$154,307
 - Increase of \$27,066.37
 - Casella's bid for trash & recycling was \$192,256
 - \$65,015.37 more than 2018's costs

- \$37,949 more than winning bid
 - Assuming 591 houses, there'd be an increase of \$64.21 for curbside recycling
- Collection and transportation of recycling is much, much more than for trash – why?
 - WM: \$142/ton trash, \$305/ton recycling
 - Casella: \$150.54/ton trash, \$244.45/ton recycling
- Anne advises that recycling costs the town more than trash due to the transportation costs; Turnkey landfill is much closer than WM's recycling facility in Billerica, MA.
- Michael Sununu added a copy of the WM contract, the Lamprey Cooperative contract and historical data to our shared drive
- Review of NRRA's Pay-As-You-Throw spreadsheet
 - Sue summarized for the group
 - Bags are most commonly available for purchase at town offices and some local retailers.
 - Cost of bags range from free (52 free bags per year) and then \$1 per bag in some communities, and from \$0.50 – \$2.5 per bag (depending on town and size of bag)
- Contract Stratham about using their transfer station
 - Mary talked to a representative of the highway department and was told to talk to town administrator. Mary left a message for the administrator.
 - Mary says Stratham's website has good info on what can/can't be recycled and we should use it as an example of what to include on our site.
- Add various items to final report
 - Josh was able to add additional information to the final report.
- Contact Brian Knipstein (Newfields Road Agent) and dig into site acceptability for onsite containers
 - Anne spoke with Brian and yes, the site can accommodate. Newfields water and sewer commission owns the land though, not the town. We would have to get permission from the commission. Town would have to allocate funds for staff to supervise system.
- Revision of history of recycling document for Final Report
 - Jacqui updated the document and it's available on shared drive.
- Compilation of landfill and composting data
 - Kenyon worked on this, and was able to populate with information and data.

- Working Session:
 - Review draft copy of Final Report and insert high level points for subsequent refinement (screenshare).
 - Josh suggested people add to the document as they obtain new information.
 - Review the high level content of the following documents (stored in the “Reference Archive” folder of the CCAC Google Drive) via screenshare:
 - Lamprey Regional Cooperative contract; Kenyon will summarize in final report.
 - Newfields & Waste Management contract; Warren summarized earlier in the meeting and will include in Final Report.
 - 2018 Newfields Data - WM & Casella Bid Calculations; Warren also summarized and will include in Final Report.
 - Discuss additional waste/recycling options
 - Skipped due to time constraints.
 - Discuss metrics for objectively measuring each option (screenshare):
 - Cost to town – discussion around combining costs into one tab
 - Cost to residents – discussion about home businesses utilizing curbside
 - Environmental impact
 - Convenience
 - Willingness of company to provide education
 - Legacy
 - Projected/opportunity cost
- Review of action items.
 - Warren will recap highlights of WM contract
 - Mary will reach out to Stratham again and summarize website content that’s relative
 - Kenyon will continue to detail landfill and composting data and summarize Lamprey Cooperative contract
 - Josh will review history of recycling and ask about adding a committee member
 - Sue will put PAYT info in final report
- Review date and time for next meeting
 - Monday, July 27th at 6:30 PM
- Motion to adjourn
 - 7:44 PM
- Note: If Newfields town residents would like an item added to a forthcoming agenda, please send a request via email to NewfieldsCCAC@gmail.com

